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Operational activities for development

Report of the Second Committee*

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I. Introduction

1. At its 2nd plenary meeting, on 18 September 2009, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its sixty-fourth session the item entitled:

"Operational activities for development:

"(a) Operational activities for development of the United Nations system;

"(b) South-South cooperation for development"

and to allocate it to the Second Committee.

2. The Second Committee held a substantive debate on the item at its 10th and 11th meetings, on 14 October 2009. An account of the Committee's discussion of the item is contained in the relevant summary records (A/C.2/64/SR.10 and 11). Attention is also drawn to the general debate held by the Committee at its 2nd to 7th meetings, from 5 to 7 October (see A/C.2/64/SR.2-7). Action was taken on the item at the 35th meeting, on 17 November (see A/C.2/64/SR.35). An account of the Committee's further consideration of the item will be provided in the addenda to the present report.

3. For its consideration of the item, the Committee had before it the following documents:

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Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Joint Inspection Unit on the national execution of technical cooperation projects (A/64/375-E/2009/103 and Corr.1)

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting his comments and those of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination on the report of the Joint Inspection Unit on the national execution of technical cooperation projects (A/64/375/Add.1-E/2009/103/Add.1)

Letter dated 6 March 2009 from the Permanent Representative of the Sudan to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/64/65)

Letter dated 30 September 2009 from the Permanent Representative of the Sudan to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/64/489)

Item 58 (a)
Operational activities for development of the United Nations system

Report of the Secretary-General on the comprehensive statistical analysis of the financing of operational activities for development of the United Nations system for 2007 (A/64/75-E/2009/59)

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report on the activities of the United Nations Development Fund for Women (A/64/164 and Corr.1)

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Report of the Secretary-General on the state of South-South cooperation (A/64/321)

Report of the Secretary-General on the promotion of South-South cooperation for development: a thirty-year perspective (A/64/504)

Letter dated 5 October 2009 from the Permanent Representative of Mali to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/C.2/64/4)

Letter dated 8 October 2009 from the Permanent Representative of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/C.2/64/6)

Letter dated 21 October 2009 from the Permanent Representative of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/C.2/64/8)

4. At the 10th meeting, on 14 October, introductory statements were made by the Director of the Office for Economic and Social Council Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (under sub-item (a)); the Vice-Chairman of the Joint Inspection Unit (under item 58); the Senior Adviser on Information Management Policy Coordination, United Nations System Chief Executives Board (under item 58); the Executive Director of the United Nations Development Fund for Women (under sub-item (a)); and the Chief of the Division for Policy Dialogue and Advocacy, Special Unit for South-South Cooperation, United Nations Development Programme (under sub-item (b)) (see A/C.2/64/SR.10).

II. Consideration of draft resolution A/C.2/64/L.6

5. By its resolution 2009/2, the Economic and Social Council had recommended to the General Assembly the adoption of a draft resolution entitled "Appointment of the Executive Director of the United Nations Population Fund". The draft resolution was reproduced in a note by the Secretariat (A/C.2/64/L.6).

6. At the 35th meeting, on 17 November, the Committee was informed that the draft resolution had no programme budget implications.

7. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted the draft resolution contained in document A/C.2/64/L.6 (see para. 8).

III. Recommendation of the Second Committee

8. The Second Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

Appointment of the Executive Director of the United Nations Population Fund

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 2211 (XXI) of 17 December 1966, in response to which a trust fund, subsequently renamed the United Nations Population Fund, was established in 1967 by the Secretary-General,

Recalling also its resolution 3019 (XXVII) of 18 December 1972, in which it placed the United Nations Population Fund under its authority as a subsidiary organ, in accordance with Article 22 of the Charter of the United Nations, taking into account the separate identity of the Fund,

1. *Notes* that, since the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme ceased to perform the administrative role with respect to the United Nations Population Fund, no formal procedure has been established for the appointment of the Executive Director of the Fund;

2. *Decides* that the secretariat of the United Nations Population Fund shall continue to be headed by an Executive Director at the Under-Secretary-General level;

3. *Also decides* that the Executive Director of the United Nations Population Fund shall be appointed by the Secretary-General, in consultation with the Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme/United Nations Population Fund, for a term of four years.